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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Falder <i>et al.</i>)	Group Art Unit: 1616
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Serial No.: 10/039,677)	Examiner: Alton N. Pryor
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For: Anti-Microbial Composition)	

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 18, 2004, please consider the following Request for Continued Examination and Preliminary Amendment. The original response to the Final Office Action was due on August 18, 2004. A Request to Provoke Advisory after Final was mailed on September 17, 2004 with the required one-month extension of time request under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Applicant is now responding with the required three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. If any further extension of time or additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to Deposit Account 50-2548.

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Amendments to the claims and new claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.